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X-MEN

**RAID ON
GRAYMALKIN**
1 OF 4





--I THINK
YOU'LL BE **QUITE**
PLEASED, **PRESIDENT**
LOPEZ.

PLEASED ENOUGH
TO FORGIVE THE
LONG FLIGHT FROM
TERRA VERDE,
I'LL WAGER.



I HARDLY
NOTICED THE FLIGHT,
WARDEN.

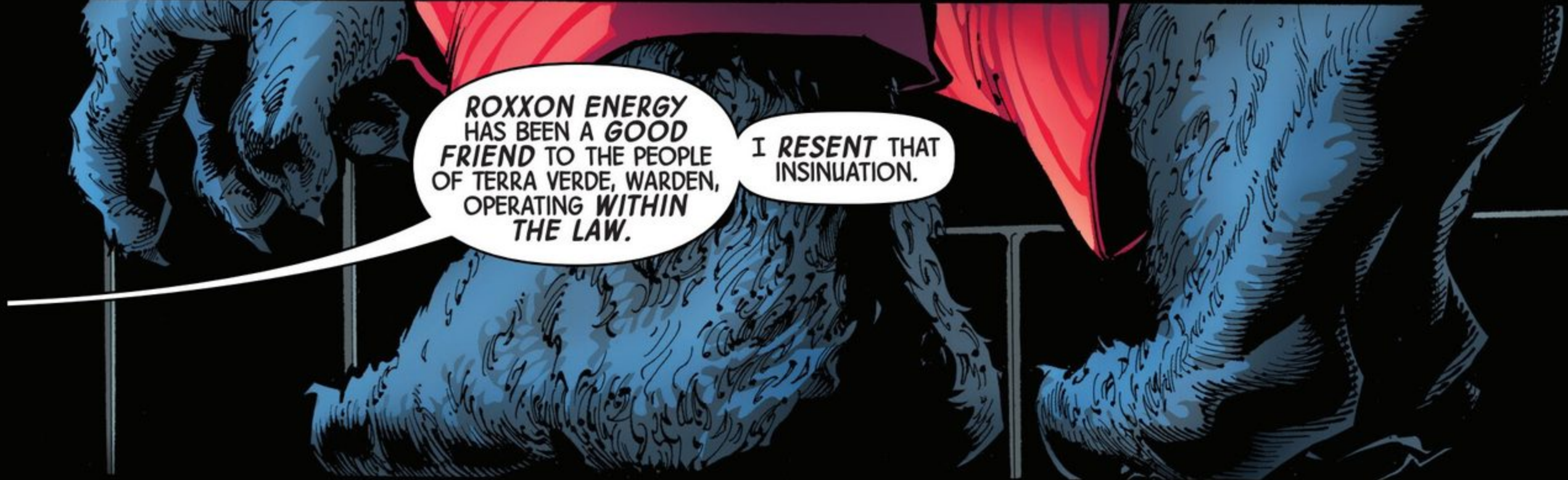
I WAS SO
PREOCCUPIED BY
THE CHANCE TO MAKE
RIGHT THE WRONGS
DONE TO MY
PEOPLE.*

*SEE X-FORCE (V6) #6! --TOM



VERY
POETIC, PRESIDENT
LOPEZ.

AND, OF COURSE,
A SHOW TRIAL FOR
HENRY MCCOY, ARCHITECT
OF THEIR MISFORTUNES, WILL MAKE
IT MUCH **EASIER** TO HIDE THE
ENVIRONMENTAL DEVASTATION
BEING WREAKED BY YOUR
ROXXON PUPPET
MASTERS.



ROXXON ENERGY
HAS BEEN A **GOOD**
FRIEND TO THE PEOPLE
OF **TERRA VERDE,** WARDEN,
OPERATING **WITHIN**
THE LAW.

I **RESENT** THAT
INSINUATION.



PRESIDENT
LOPEZ, AS LONG
AS **TERRA VERDE**
MAKES **ITS GENEROUS**
CONTRIBUTION
TO GRAYMALKIN'S
OPERATING
BUDGET...

...I DON'T
PARTICULARLY
CARE WHAT YOU
FEEL ABOUT ANY
INSINUATIONS.

AH. HE'S
AWAKE.

HELLO,
YOU HORRIBLE
BEAST.

WELCOME
TO GRAYMALKIN
PRISON.



BORN WITH INCREDIBLE SUPERHUMAN ABILITIES, MUTANTS HAVE LONG BEEN PERSECUTED FOR THEIR DIFFERENCES. THE MUTANT HEROES KNOWN AS THE X-MEN WERE TRAINED BY PROFESSOR CHARLES XAVIER TO USE THEIR POWERS TO PROTECT THE WORLD THAT HATES AND FEARS THEM AND TO BRIDGE THE GROWING DIVIDE BETWEEN HUMANITY AND MUTANTKIND.



The **X-Men** have established a new base at the **Factory** in **Merle, Alaska**. En route to a meeting with the town police chief, **Beast** was attacked and abducted.

Meanwhile, the X-Men's former home in **Westchester** has been transformed into **Graymalkin Prison** for mutants, overseen by **Corina Ellis**. And a second team of X-Men, led by **Rogue**, has formed in **Louisiana**, where they are mentoring a new group of teenage mutants.

“RAID ON GRAYMALKIN,” PART 1

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BEAST



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PSYLOCKE



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MAGIK



JUGGERNAUT

**THE FACTORY.
MERLE, ALASKA.**

HANK'S BEEN
TAKEN.



I'LL
CLARIFY.

AN
X-MAN
HAS BEEN
TAKEN.



TARGET?

I WAS
ON THE PHONE
WITH BEAST WHEN
HE GOT GOT.

I'VE SKIMMED
THE SHORT-TERM
MEMORIES OF EVERYONE
WHO WAS AROUND,
PUT TOGETHER A
MODEL OF WHAT
HAPPENED.

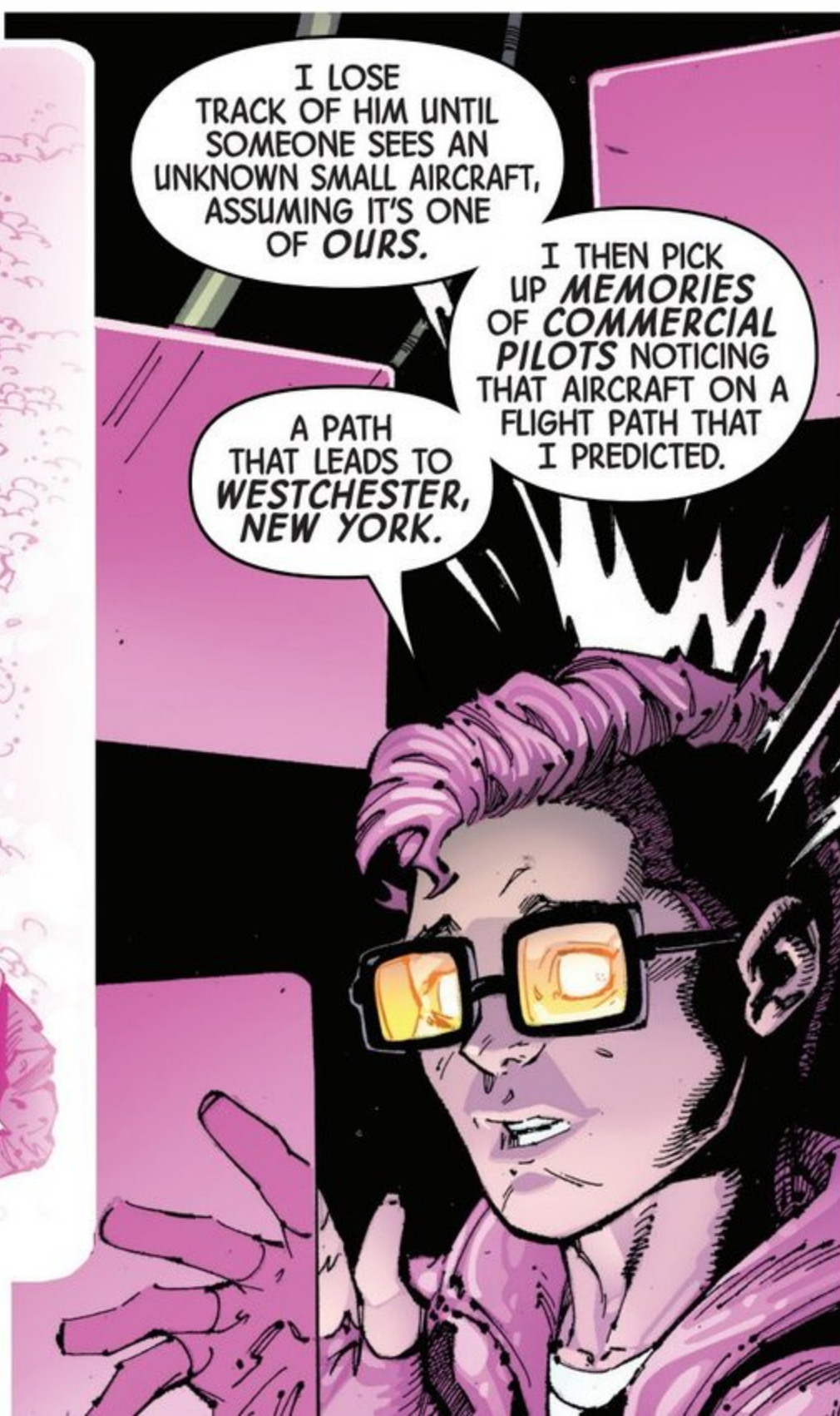
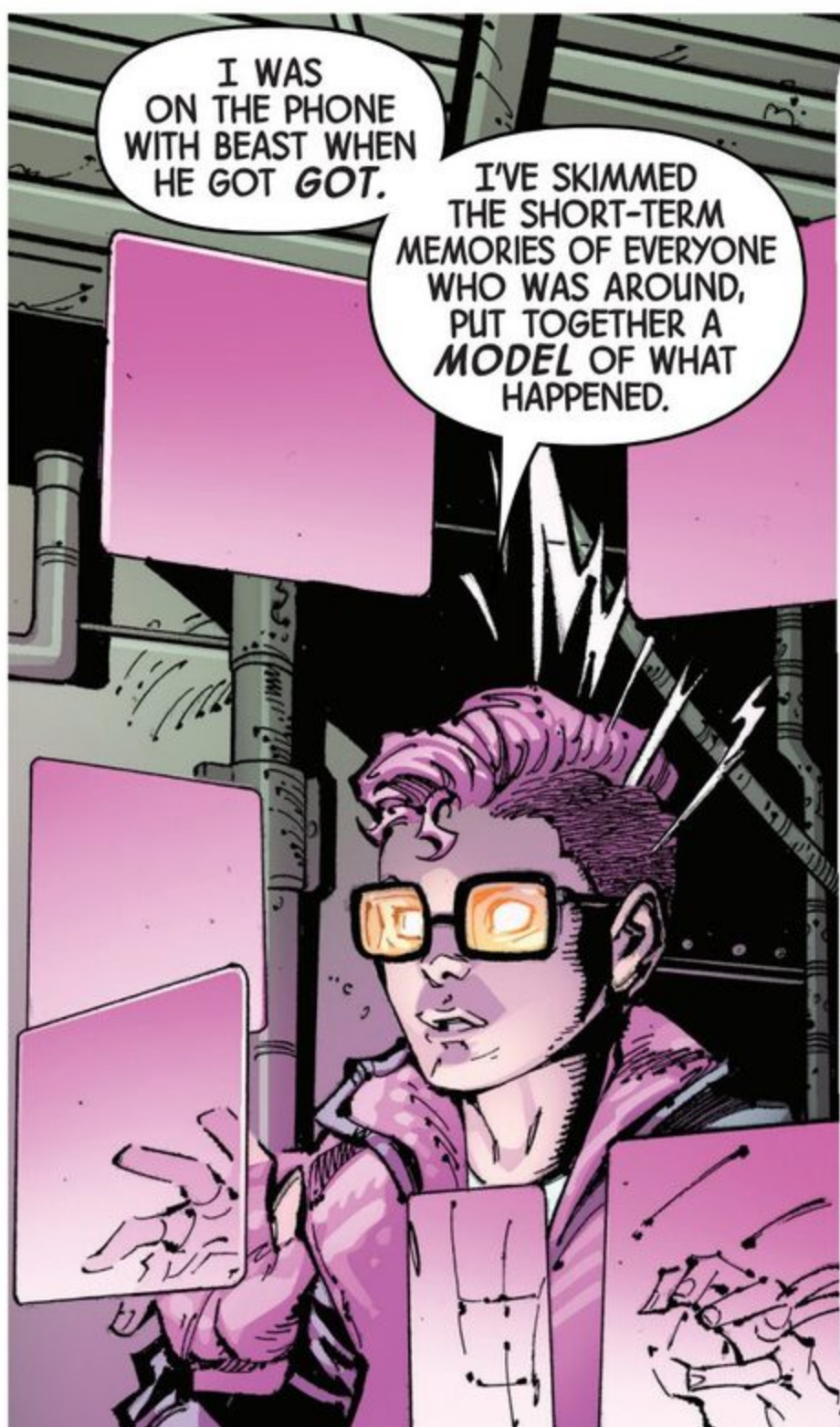
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CAPTURED
IN MERLE."

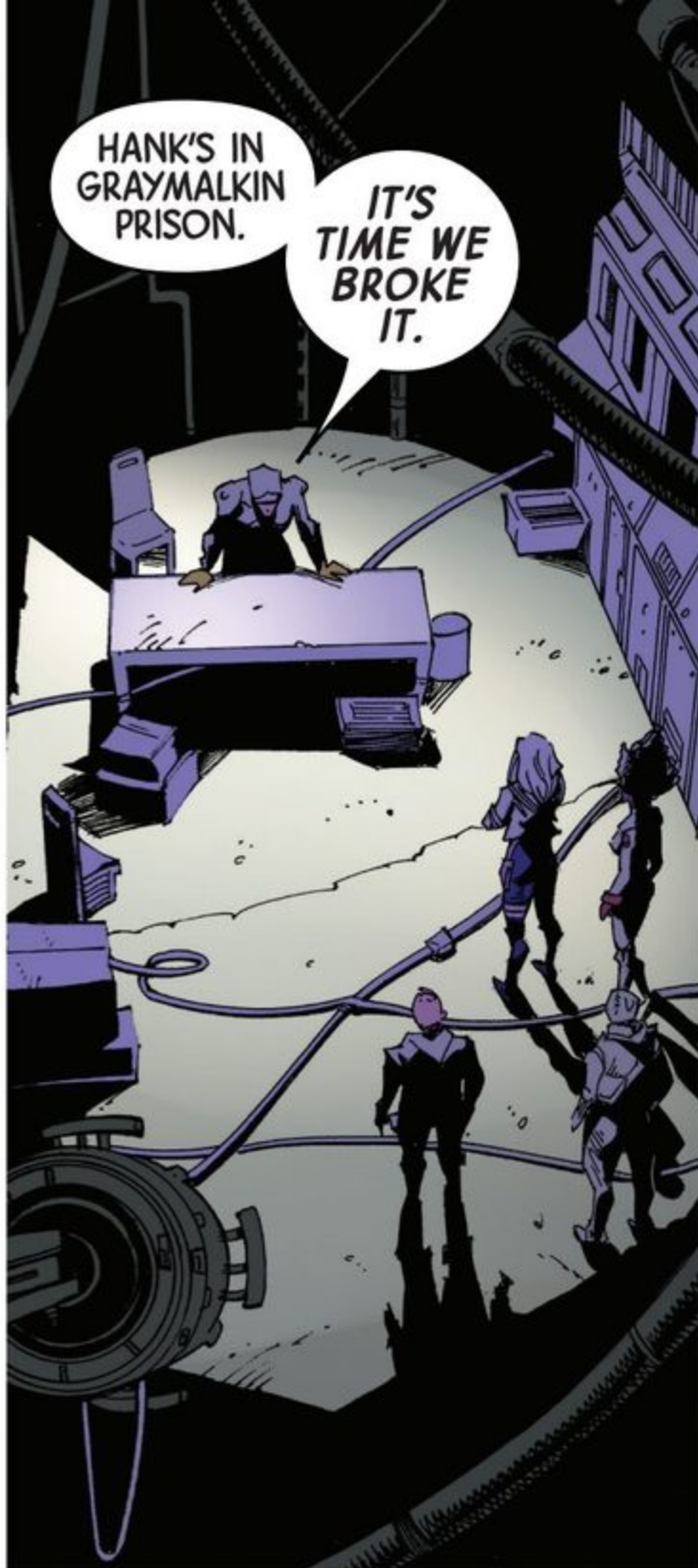


I LOSE
TRACK OF HIM UNTIL
SOMEONE SEES AN
UNKNOWN SMALL AIRCRAFT,
ASSUMING IT'S ONE
OF OURS.

I THEN PICK
UP MEMORIES
OF COMMERCIAL
PILOTS NOTICING
THAT AIRCRAFT ON A
FLIGHT PATH THAT
I PREDICTED.

A PATH
THAT LEADS TO
WESTCHESTER,
NEW YORK.





HANK'S IN GRAYMALKIN PRISON.

IT'S TIME WE BROKE IT.



DO YOU MEAN "BROKE IN"?



NO.



QUENTIN, COPY-PASTE THE BATTLE PLAN OUT OF MY BRAIN AND INTO THE COMMON KNOWLEDGE POOL AND READY THE HELLIONS PROTOCOL.

X-MEN, GEAR UP. WE'RE MOVING.



SLOW DOWN, SCOTT.

YOU'RE ANGRY. YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE A MISTAKE.



HANK MCCOY WAS LIKE MY BROTHER. WE GREW UP TOGETHER.

AND THEN HE BECAME A MONSTER, AND I LOST HIM.

BUT NOW MY BROTHER IS BACK.

AND I'M NOT LOSING HIM AGAIN.





BECCA SIMON-PINETTE, SIR.

OF THE LOUDEN COUNTY SIMON-PINETTES.

BUT MY MUTANT NAME IS CALICO. OF THE LOUISIANA X-MEN.

CHARMED, MY DEAR.

DR. HENRY MCCOY, OF THE ALASKAN X-MEN. MUTANT NAME: BEAST.



SO.

LOOKS LIKE SCOTT'S X-MEN ARE HAVING SOME PROBLEMS IF YOU GOT SNATCHED.

I WILL NOTE THAT THE SCORE STANDS AT ONE PRISONER FROM ALASKA TO TWO FROM LOUISIANA.

CALICO ONLY COUNTS FOR A HALF.

HANDS!

WARDEN ON THE FLOOR!



WOULD YOU LOOK AT THAT?

THE TWO MUTIES THAT I WANTED TO SPEAK WITH, SITTING TOGETHER.

NO, NOT "WITH." THAT IMPLIES A LEVEL OF... EQUALITY. PEERS.

SPEAK TO.



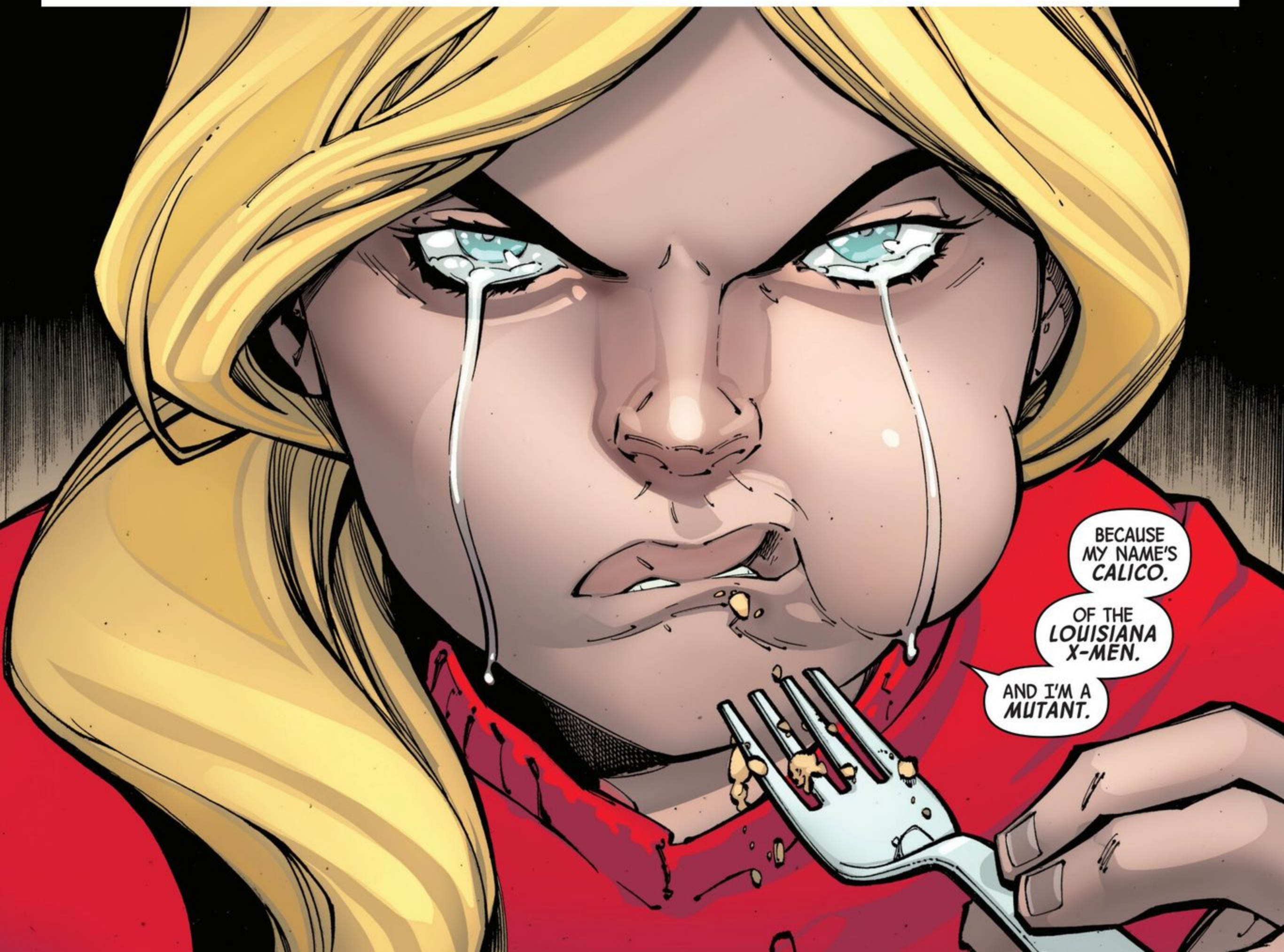
BEAST, I HAVE GOOD NEWS. NEGOTIATIONS ARE PROCEEDING WELL WITH TERRA VERDE. WHICH MEANS YOU'LL BE LEAVING US SOON.

TRUE, IT WILL BE FOR A BLACK-BAG EXTRADITION FOLLOWED BY A SHOW TRIAL AND QUICK EXECUTION, BUT I'VE NEVER CLAIMED TO BE SANTA CLAUS.



BUT FOR YOU, BECCA SIMON-PINETTE--OF THE LOUDEN COUNTY SIMON-PINETTES--YOU MAY THINK OF ME AS BEDECKED IN JOLLY RED AND WHITE.

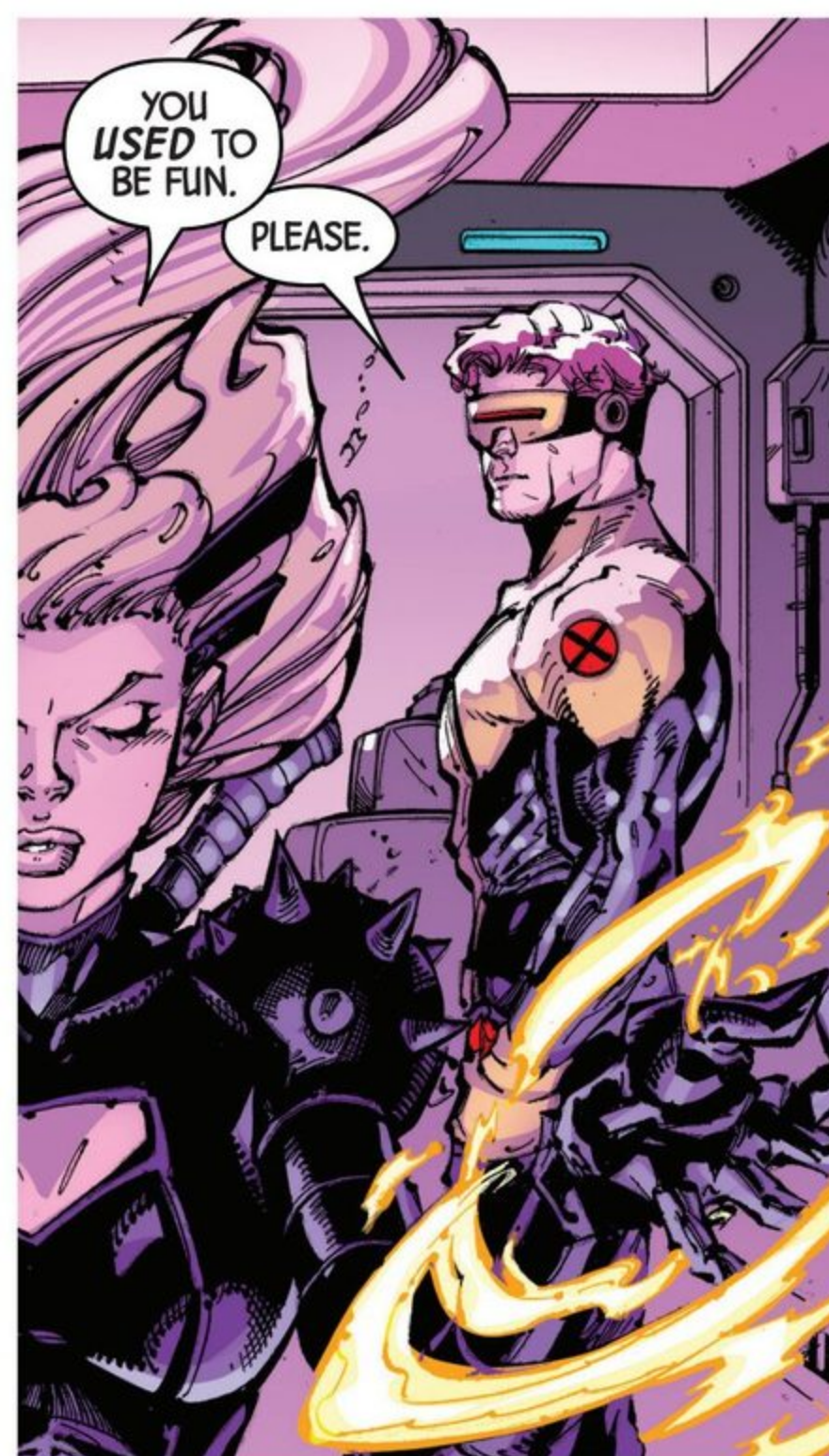
















THE
X-MEN.

**YES,
WARDEN.**

THEY'VE TAKEN
OUT OUR PRIMARY
GENERATORS, BUT THE
AUXILIARIES WILL BE
POWERING ON
MOMENTARILY.



I'M HEADED
TO THE CONTROL
CENTER.

SOMEONE GET
TRASK ON COMMS
AND HAVE HIM SEND A
COHORT OF HIS **WOLFPACK**
SENTINELS TO THE MAIN
PRISON LEVEL.



WARDEN?
SHOULD WE PUT
THESE MUTIES
BACK AND COME
WITH YOU?



DID I
TELL YOU TO
STOP BEATING
THAT MUTIE?



THE X-MEN
DIDN'T JUST COME
TO *TRENCH OUR YARD.*
WE'LL HAVE *VISITORS*
SHORTLY...

"...IF WE DON'T
ALREADY."

ALL RIGHT,
X-MEN.

"QUENTIN IS MAINTAINING
OUR PSYCHIC COMMS AND
NAVIGATION, AS WELL AS
AERIAL SUPPORT..."

"...MAGIK'S
DEMONS ARE
KEEPING THE
DISTRACTION
GOING..."

"...AND
JUGGERNAUT
IS IN PLACE FOR
HIS ATTACK RUN."





ARE YOU **SURE** THESE COUNTERMEASURES ARE GOING TO WORK?

HANK BUILT THEM FROM PARTS WE STRIPPED FROM THE **O*N*E SHRIKE SUITS** WE CAPTURED.*

*IN X-MEN #3! --TOM



"WE'RE NOT **INVISIBLE**, BUT THE FACILITY'S **SENSORS** SHOULD HAVE A HELL OF A TIME KEEPING TRACK OF US.

"THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO **COORDINATE** THEIR RESPONSE."

SCURVY, BRING THE **TRUSTEES** ONLINE, AND SOMEONE TELL ME:

WHERE ARE THE **X-MEN**?

I CAN'T--

SOMETHING'S **JAMMING** THE **CAMERAS**--THE **SENSORS**!



THERE! LIGHT THEM UP!



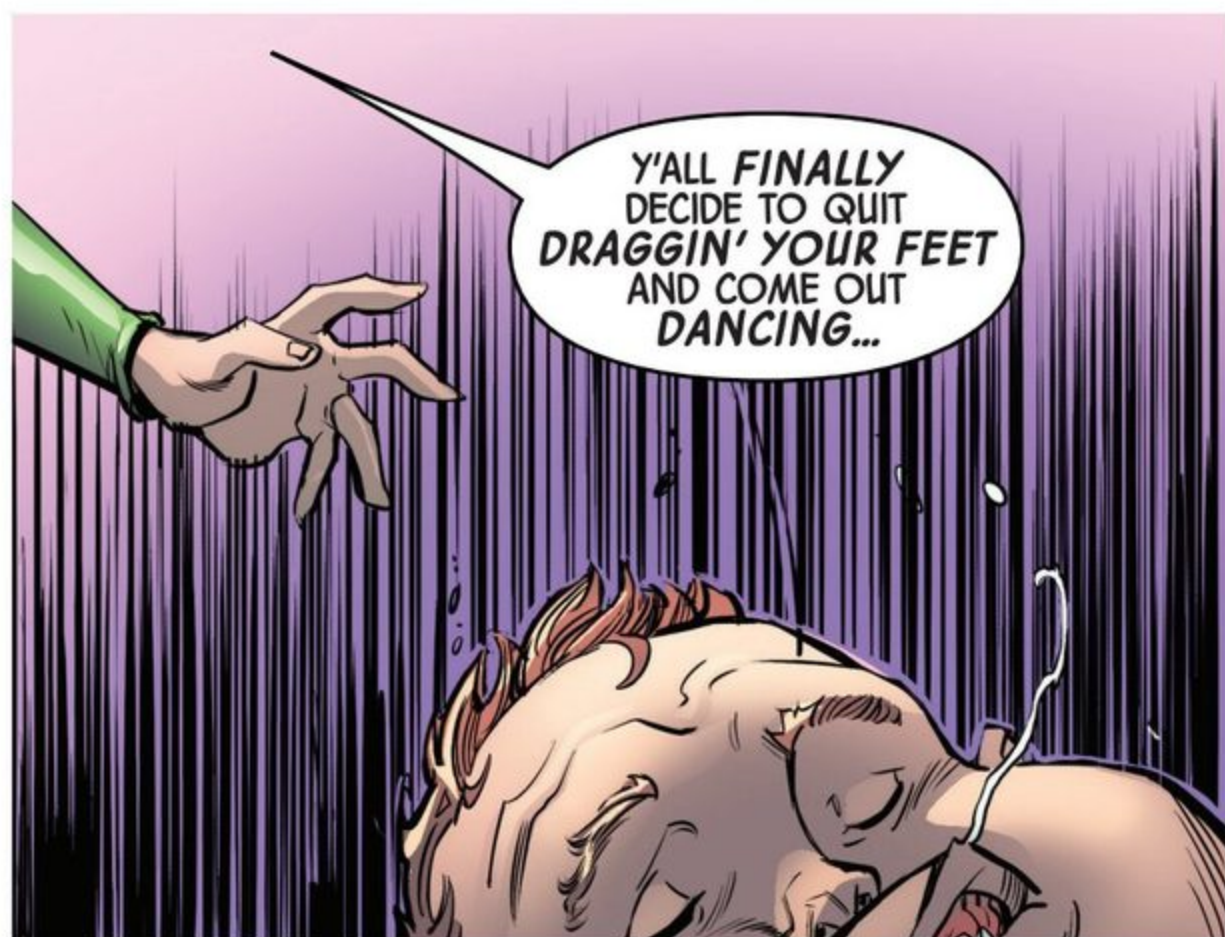
NORMAL EYEBALLS, ON THE OTHER HAND, STILL PRESENT A PROBLEM.

YOU HEARD THE MAN.

LIGHT THEM UP.







...AND RIGHT
AWAY, YOU GO
STEPPIN' ON
OUR TOES.



TO BE CONTINUED...
IN UNCANNY X-MEN #7!

X-MAIL

Hi there, X-Team!

Three issues in and I'm hooked on the new X-MEN book by Jed MacKay. I'm really enjoying the back-to-basics approach this title is taking with the X-Men and their new HQ in Alaska. The new team lineup and dynamic is also really exciting, and I'm glad to see two of my favorite characters, Juggernaut and Psylocke, are there. X-MEN #3 really showcased how good this new team works together, and I'm really looking forward to seeing what's going on with Cyclops after how X-MEN #3 ended. Great story and fantastic art as well.

Yours,
Paul Bowler
UK

Thanks, Paul! And if Kwannon is a favorite, you'll want to keep an eye out for the new PSYLOCKE series starting at the end of the year! It'll be amazing!

Dear X-Mail,

Thank you for giving Cyclops back to us. That is all.

Regards,
Michael Hocking

You're welcome, Michael!

Hello, X-Team,

Just finished up issue #3 of X-MEN. I am really enjoying it so far. I wasn't quite sure about this team when it was first announced, but I am really liking the team's synergy. Definitely a lot better than I originally expected! I have always been a huge Cyclops fan and have recently discovered that I really like Magik, but I was unsure of the

rest of the team. Thankfully, I am really liking all of them!

I am really loving Cyclops in this run, and I feel like y'all are doing him justice. Seeing him stand up to Lundqvist the way that he did was very cool, and his emotional breakdown afterward was quite sad. I appreciate seeing some of that vulnerability in him. Temper also jumped a lot in my ranking after this issue. She was absolutely cold, pun intended, when she froze those agents. Can't wait to keep reading more. Very excited to see where this story is going! See y'all next month!

Cason Jones
Sulphur Springs, Texas

If it's more awesome moments you're looking for, Cason, then you'll want to strap in for the next couple of issues! Jed and Ryan and Netho are bringing them in spades!

Dear X-Team,

I have absolutely loved this new X-MEN series. I've been a fan of Jed MacKay for a while now, so I had high hopes for this series, and I am glad to say that so far, it does not disappoint. I am also really digging the art. In only three issues, they have firmly established the X-Men's new status quo; it's fresh and new but still doesn't ignore what came before. I am excited to see Scott really shine and how his and Rogue's relationship unfolds across both books. It seems like they're being set up as almost the new Professor X and Magneto in a sense, where Cyclops is out there fighting for mutants at all costs and

Rogue is teaching the next generation while also trying to reintegrate into human society. It will be interesting to see how Scott's trauma/anxiety plays out. Mutantkind just lost everything, and he has every right to not be okay, yet he knows that he has to be a strong leader for this new team and for mutants everywhere. Can't wait for what comes next.

All the best,
Noah Sullivan
Houston, Texas

Thanks, Noah! And you'll get a good idea of where Rogue and Cyclops stand with one another by the time RAID ON GRAYMALKIN wraps up next month!

Dear X-Team,

I just finished X-MEN #3 by Jed MacKay and Ryan Stegman and really enjoyed it! My X-Men history is a little rusty, and I am trying to figure out why Juggernaut is part of the team. He's not a mutant, right? Other than having a long history with the team, is there a reason the X-Men keep him around?

Thank you,
Matt James Howlett
Tulsa, OK

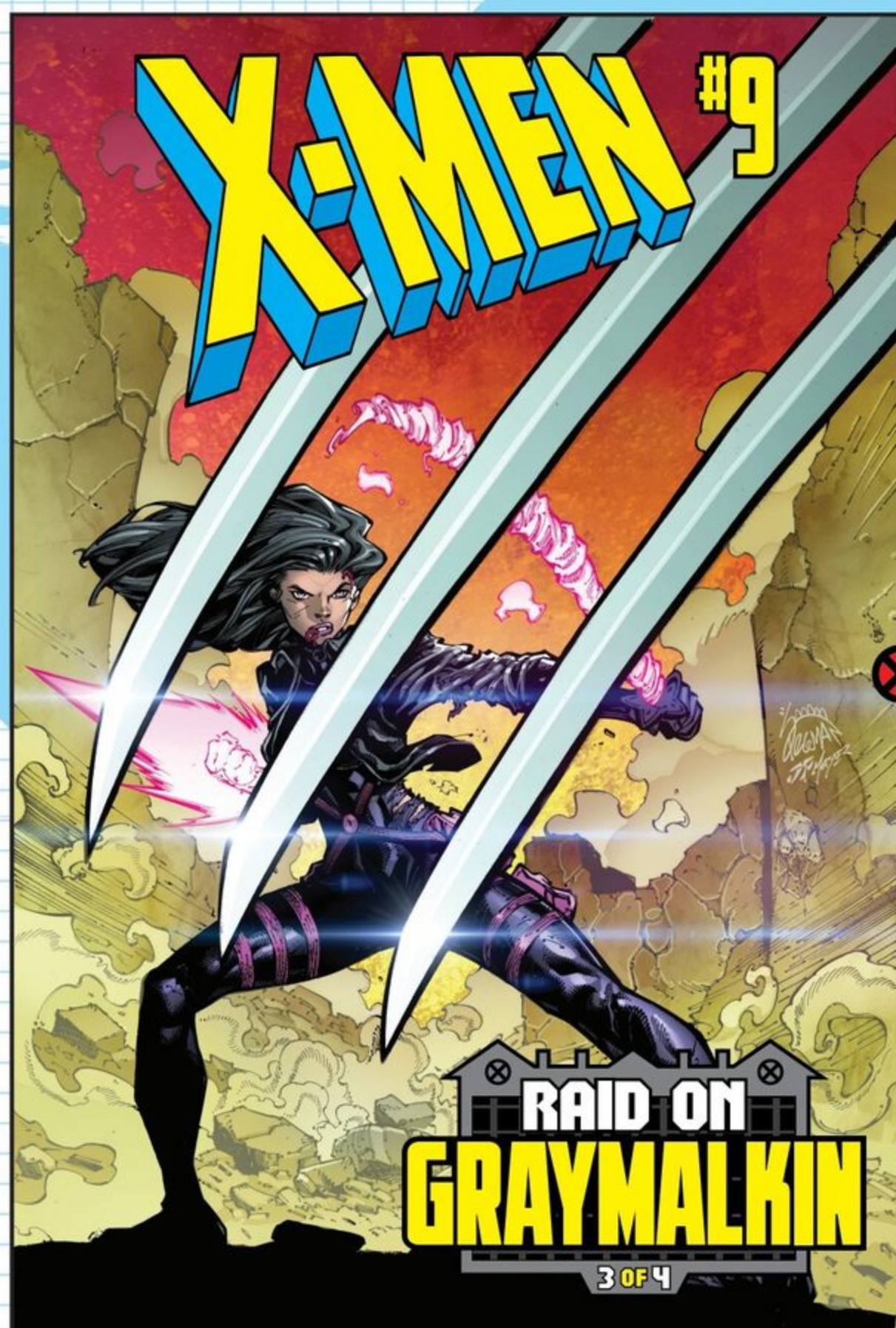
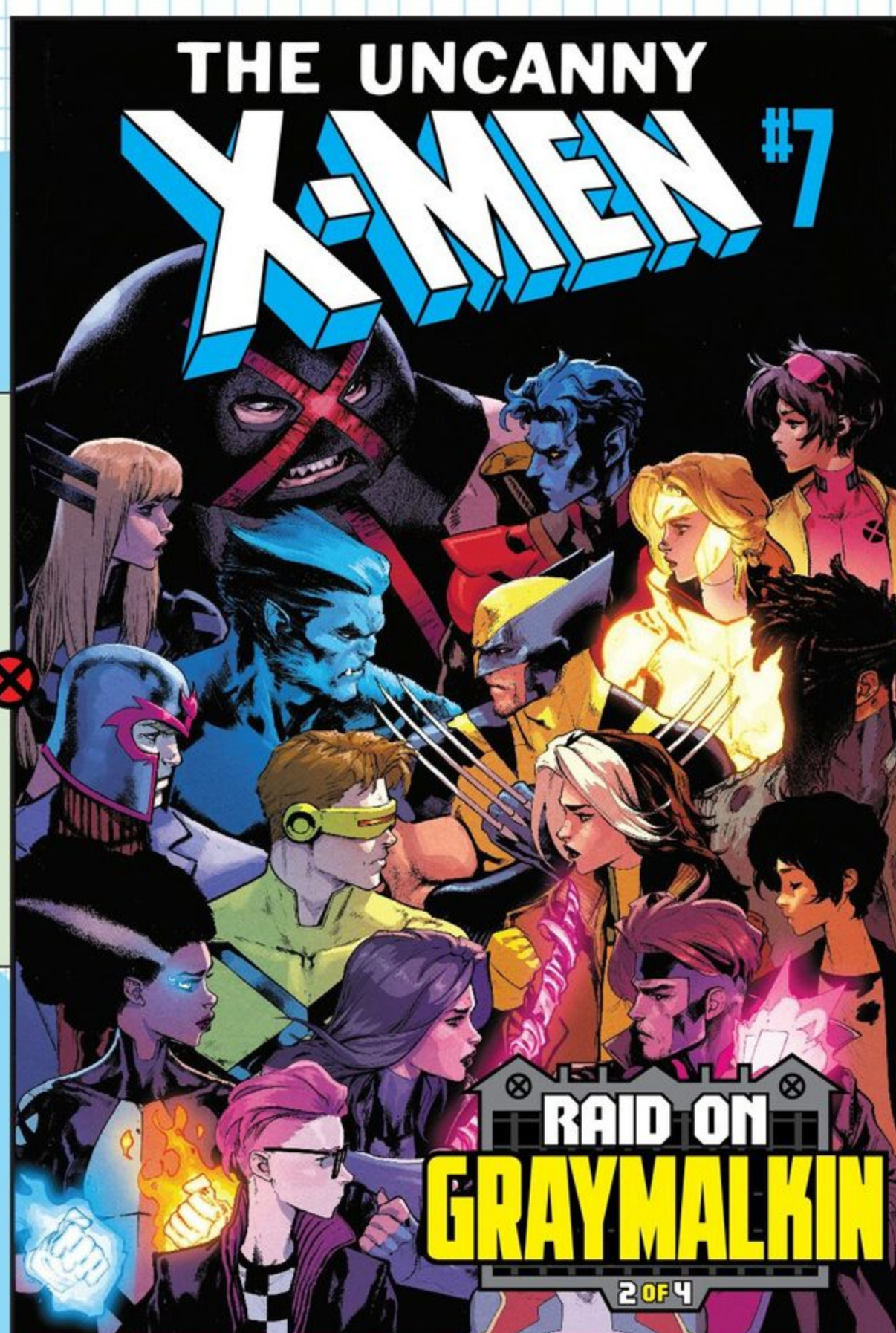
Hey, Matt, if Juggernaut wants to hang around, who is possibly going to say no to him?

Next time: It's part three of RAID ON GRAYMALKIN! So move into UNCANNY X-MEN #7 next for part two, then let's all meet back here as things heat up! Nobody get lost along the way! See you there!

Stay weird!
Tom B
10/7/24

NEXT:

Two conflicting teams of X-Men come to a crossroads at Graymalkin Prison, formerly Xavier's Institute! As if the Perimeter protocols and the prison's mutant trustees weren't enough, team leaders Rogue and Cyclops find themselves at war over the uncertain legacy of Charles Xavier!



Rogue and Cyclops come to blows as emotions come to a head, pitting the two groups of X-Men against one another in a place where their only chance for survival is to stand together. Xavier's dream lies shattered--and broken edges always draw blood.

X-MENTIONS

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**...WHEN YOU ARE GROWN INTO A WOMAN, AND HAVE LEARNED IN FULL THE ARTS
ARCANE, YOU, ILLYANA, WILL ASCEND TO THE MOST GLORIOUS OF DESTINIES!**

- Somewhere on the scale between oil and water and chocolate and peanut butter is the incomparable combo of Wade Wilson and Logan, and the new year brings a delicious serving of this dynamic-est of duos in **DEADPOOL/WOLVERINE #1**. The new ongoing series is brought to you by yet another legendary pairing—writer **Benjamin Percy** and artist **Joshua Cassara**. No strangers to Wolverine and greater X-dom, these comic superstars put your favorite super heroes through their paces in a never-ending action movie with the fate of the world in the balance! Featuring surprises, reveals and a villainous plot that'll turn long-term and newly arriving X-readers' heads, this is one for the pull list!
- Armed with her mutant teleportation powers, a supreme grasp of sorcery and a blade forged from her very soul, Magik breaks from the X-Men to hunt demons that are preying on mutants. Written by rising star **Ashley Allen** and illustrated by the inimitable **Germán Peralta**, **MAGIK #1** is a stylish, high-octane demon-hunting adventure starring the fiercest X-Man of them all!
- Fresh from his appearance in this month's **TIMESLIDE #1**, time's footsoldier embarks on a new mission in January's **CABLE: LOVE & CHROME #1**. Presented by **David Pepose** and **Mike Henderson**, this five-issue limited series is a free-wheeling, time-traveling apocalyptic romance stuffed with action, action, action! It's designed to be the singular word on the Askani'son in our new post-Krakoa era, and it'll leave you breathless and panting for more! Look for the covers by classic Cable artist **Ian Churchill**!
- He's poised to make big moves in his new role as Sorcerer Supreme, but why has Doctor Doom extended an invitation to dine with him at his castle in Latveria to Storm? The answer can be found in the pages of **STORM #4**, in which Earth's Mightiest Mutant is presented with a Faustian pact that she may not be able to refuse! It's another epic encounter from **Murewa Ayodele** and **Lucas Werneck**!

DEADPOOL/WOLVERINE #1



MAGIK #1



CABLE: LOVE & CHROME #1



- And be sure not to miss out on the X-Men's explosive guest appearance in **AVENGERS #21** this month, as it's destined to be one of the most talked-about conflicts between the two groups ever, laying out their relationship moving forward. **Jed MacKay** is writing both series, so you can expect him to be fair and balanced in his presentation—to be honest, it kinda reads more like an issue of **X-MEN** than **AVENGERS**, but who are we to complain? **Valerio Schiti** makes it all look epic!

DESIGNS FOR THE
NEW **MAGIK** SERIES
BY PEACH MOMOKO!



QUESTION OF THE MONTH: “Which X-Character Do You Feel The Strongest Connection To?”

BENJAMIN PERCY — Well, bub. As a hairy, smelly, grumpy, square-shaped loner who lives in the frozen north and likes to chew on cigars and swill whiskey...I feel a particular affinity for a certain Canucklehead.

JOSHUA CASSARA — Wolverine, because I'm generally pretty grumpy, but mostly because I'm really hairy.

ASHLEY ALLEN — Hard question to answer but (in my very non-biased writer's opinion) Magik! Spellcasting, sword fighting, a desire to do good while taking no prisoners...what's not to love about her?

DAVID PEPOSE — For me, it's gotta be Nightcrawler — when I first saw *Pryde of the X-Men* as a kid, I loved that even though Kurt looked like a demon, he'd ultimately prove himself to be the most charming and heroic member of the team. Not only does Kurt have the coolest powers, but he's got the spirit of a swashbuckler, a boundless sense of humor and compassion, and one of the all-time great designs by Dave Cockrum. He's the heart and soul of the X-Men — how could you not love him?

GERMÁN PERALTA — I feel a strong connection with Gambit. He doesn't represent me, obviously, but he was my favorite when I was a kid and still is. As an artist, it's impossible to not fall in love with his design. It's just perfect. About his personality, I think that for many of us born in the '80s and who lived our childhood/adolescence in the '90s, Gambit was a role model. His manners, the way he dresses without prejudice and his rebellious attitude made him a really strong character even without considering his great mutant powers.

MIKE HENDERSON — Before drawing *DEAD MAN LOGAN*, I'd have said the ol' Canucklehead, but after — well, I'd still say Wolverine. He's the best there is at what he does, and what he does is fun to draw.

JED MACKAY — Probably Doop, as I find him to be an aspirational figure.

NETHO DIAZ — I always liked the way Cyclops put the team together. Cyclops has been my favorite since I was a kid. Even though he isn't an Omega-level mutant, he is not afraid to take down villains bigger than him.

- ❑ **LAURA KINNEY, WOLVERINE #1** — Mutant missions so dire Wolverine must go it alone!
- ❑ **X-MEN #8** — RAID ON GRAYMALKIN, Part One: With one of their own incarcerated, the X-Men move on Graymalkin Prison.
- ❑ **UNCANNY X-MEN #7** — RAID ON GRAYMALKIN, Part Two: Rogue and Cyclops find themselves at war over the uncertain legacy of Charles Xavier!
- ❑ **X-MEN #9** — RAID ON GRAYMALKIN, Part Three: Rogue and Cyclops come to blows as emotions bubble over!
- ❑ **EXCEPTIONAL X-MEN #4** — The Iceman cometh! But what dark secret is he hiding?
- ❑ **PSYLOCKE #2** — With her membership in the X-Men revoked, Kwannon seeks out an unlikely ally: Shinobi Shaw!
- ❑ **STORM #3** — Guest-starring the Uncanny X-Men, as Storm must survive for a week without her mutant powers!
- ❑ **WOLVERINE #4** — A key issue! Constrictor strikes, and secret plans hinted at in issue #1 begin to take shape...!
- ❑ **X-FACTOR #5** — In this issue: SOMEONE DIES!
- ❑ **PHOENIX #6** — He casts a long shadow over the entire Marvel Universe — now Thanos is coming to put an end to Jean Grey!
- ❑ **X-FORCE #6** — Last issue's shock reverberates through the team. Meanwhile, sinister forces show their hand...
- ❑ **MYSTIQUE #3** — Mystique prepares her endgame against S.H.I.E.L.D.!
- ❑ **SENTINELS #3** — A routine mission becomes a disaster as the team takes on the ultimate evil mutant: Magneto!
- ❑ **NYX #6** — As the kids attend Dazzler's concert, Mr. Friend makes his move!
- ❑ **DAZZLER #4** — As Dazzler plays NYC, her stalker stands revealed!
- ❑ **TIMESLIDE #1** — Cable and Bishop form an uneasy alliance to defend the timestream from the Children of the Vault!
- ❑ **WOLVERINE: REVENGE #5** — Time certainly doesn't heal all wounds. Capullo/Hickman's prestige epic closes with Wolverine's ultimate revenge!
- ❑ **DEADPOOL TEAM-UP #5** — Rob Liefeld's final Deadpool story, and the team-up of all team-ups, reaches its climax!
- ❑ **HELLVERINE #1** — It's hellfire-fueled, claw-slashing action in the Mighty Marvel Manner.
- ❑ **SABRETOOTH: THE DEAD DON'T TALK #1** — The youthful Sabretooth stalks 1900s New York!
- ❑ **AVENGERS #21** — It's Avengers vs. X-Men as Earth's Mightiest Heroes head to Alaska for a tense confrontation with Cyclops' team.
- ❑ **DEADPOOL #9** — Ellie is Deadpool. Wade is just dead. But can the new Deadpool survive a showdown with M.O.D.O.K.?!

LETTERS PAGES! They're making a comeback! And we want to hear from you! Email us at **OFFICEX@MARVEL.COM** and mark your messages “Okay to Print” for a chance to see them answered in future issues!



KAMIC RIDER

MARIKA